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FOR MICHAEL B. SMITH

FOL REPEAT OF BOGOTA 3550 TO SECSTATE INFO MEDELLIN APR 17

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TAGS: ETRD, CO

SUBJECT: TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS - STATISTICAL DISCREPANCY

REF: BOGOTA 3486

1. APRIL 17 ISSUE OF INFLUENTIAL WEEKLY "NUEVA FRONTERA", PUBLISHED BY FORMER PRESIDENT CARLOS LLERAS, REFERS TO "MONSTROUS SCANDAL" COMING TO LIGHT THROUGH US-COLOMBIAN TEXTILE NEGOTIATIONS. ARTICLE IMPLIES TYPE OF FRAUD BY COLOMBIAN PRODUCERS DESCRIBED BY MEDELLIN SOURCES AS REPORTED REFTEL, AND CALLS FOR FULL DISCLOSURE EVEN IF GUILTY PARTIES ARE "BIG SHOTS". COUNTRY'S LEADING DAILY, "EL TIEMPO", FRONT PAGES STORY ON "NUEVA FRONTERA" ARTICLE, ASSURING THAT POTENTIAL SCANDAL IS VERY WIDELY KNOWN.

2. FROM BY-PLAY AMONG COLOMBIAN NEGOTIATORS, WE KNOW GOC IS INVESTIGATING POSSIBILITY THAT STATISTICAL DISCREPANCY MAY BE RESULT OF FALSE EXPORTS FROM COLOMBIA OF ASSEMBLED GOODS ACTUALLY

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